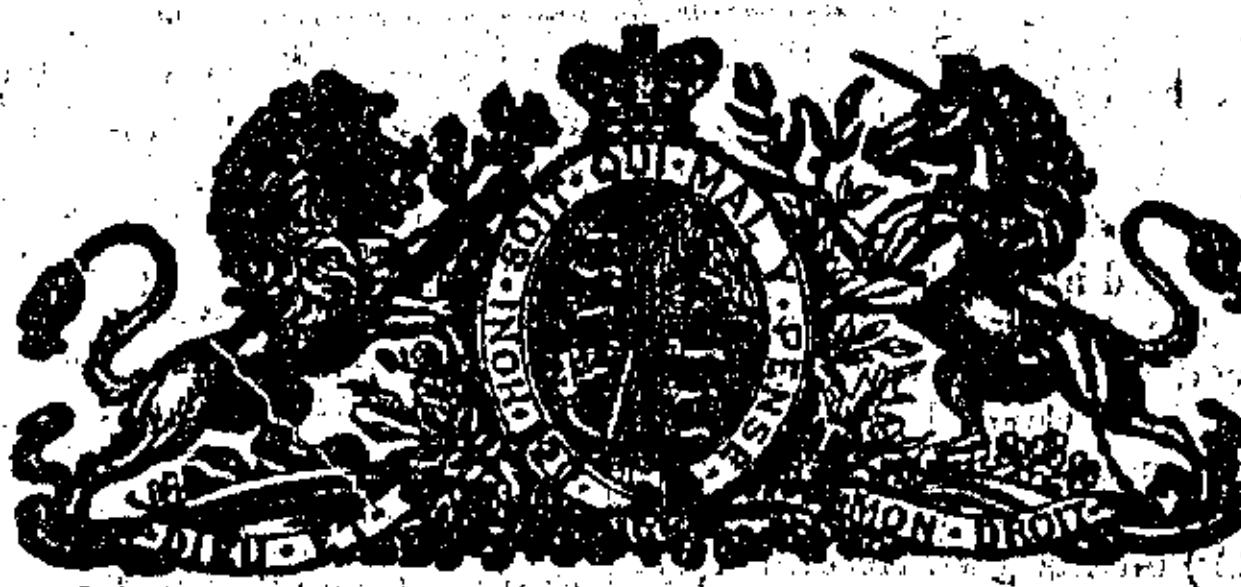


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Hongkong, August 16, 1878.

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Besides conducting general Exchange
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payable in Hongkong, and makes advances
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E. H. NELSON,
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Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

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Very Fine "O. K." BOURBON WHISKY.

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ENGLISH and AMERICAN HOUSE- HOLD STORES.

EXTRA FINE CHICAGO BACON and HAMS.

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CRYSTALLIZED SUGAR, mark C. S. R. (in diamond) 4 III*.

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GOLDEN SYRUP, SYRUP, and MOLASSES.

SPRITS OF WINE and LAMP SPIRIT.

RUM, 45°, 30° O. P. and Naval.

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THE GENUINE APOLLINARIS WATER.

In Cases of 50 large Stone Bottles, \$6 per Case.

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Ex Steamship "Asia."

TIVOLI BEEF:

In Cases of 8 dozen White Pint Bottles, \$15 per Case.

WEILER & CO.

Hongkong, August 6, 1878.

FOR SALE.

TWO AMERICAN and One ENGLISH Second-hand BILLIARD TABLES, with BALLS, CUEs, LAMPS, &c., Complete.

Apply to

D. NOWROOZEE,

Hongkong Hotel.

Hongkong, July 11, 1878.

FOR SALE.

COKE and TAR in Quantities to suit Purchasers, at CHEAP RATES.

Apply to

GAS COMPANY,

Gas Works

Hongkong, June 19, 1878.

FOR SALE.

WATER at Hongkong.

MELCHERS & CO. are our only Agents for Sale of the Genuine Florida

Water at Hongkong.

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL,
HONGKONG.

THIS EVENING,
September 2nd, 1878.

THE ROYAL ENGLISH OPERA
AND
OPERA BOUFOU COMPANY.

By Special Request will be Repeated
"La Fille de Madame Angot."

MISS ELCIA MAY
as
CLAIRETTE.

PROGRAMME:
CLAIERETTE..... Miss ELCIA MAY.
Anne Pitou..... Mr VERNON.
Pommereh..... Mr ROLLINGS.
Lavandiere..... Mr HAGEMAN.
Louchard..... Mr HODSON.
Troniz..... Mr ARMAND.
Cadet..... Mr BROWN.
Police Agent..... Mr SUTTON.
Office of Guards..... Mr DE LILLE.
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Babette..... Miss B. DRAZGAR.
Amaranthine..... Mrs VERNON.
Soldiers, Market Men, &c.

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ACT II.
MADAME LANGE'S DRAWING ROOM.

ACT III.
PUBLIC GARDENS.

TICKETS may be obtained at Messrs
KNUSS & CO.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:
Body of Hall..... \$1.
Stalls..... \$2.
Dress Circle..... \$3.
Private Box for Nine..... \$12.

Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen
cannot be admitted.

S. DE LILLE,
Manager.
Hongkong, Sept. 2, 1878.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

OCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S.
COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship
"BELGIO," from San Francisco, &c.,
are hereby requested to send in their Bills
of Lading for countersignature, and to take
immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding discharge of the Steamer
will be landed and stored at Consignee's
risk and expense.

G. B. EMORY,
Agent.
Hongkong, August 30, 1878.

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FROM LONDON VIA SUEZ AND
SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Commonwealth having arrived
from the above Ports, Consignees of
Cargo are informed that their Goods are
being landed at their risk into the Godowns
of the Undersigned, whence and/or from
the Wharves or Boats delivery may be
obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before 2 p.m.
To-day, the 31st Instant.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the
8th Proximo will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

MEYER & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 31, 1878.

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NOTICE.

BRITISH BARK DARTMOUTH,
FROM LONDON.

THE above-named Vessel having arrived,
Consignee of Cargo by her are re-
quested to send in their Bills of Lading to the
Undersigned for countersignature, and to take
immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding discharge of the Vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignee's
risk and expense.

RUSSELL & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, August 17, 1878.

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NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. CITY
OF PEKING, from San Francisco
and Yokohama, are hereby requested to
send in their Bills of Lading to the
Undersigned for countersignature, and to take
immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding discharge of the Vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignee's
risk and expense.

RUSSELL & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 17, 1878.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEE.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo
are requested to send in their Bills of
Lading to the Undersigned for counter-
signature, and take immediate delivery
of their Goods from alongside the Vessel.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be
landed and stored at Consignee's risk and
expense.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

W. PUSTAU & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 8, 1878.

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEE.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo
are requested to send in their Bills of
Lading to the Undersigned for counter-
signature, and take immediate delivery
of their Goods.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

R. DU POUEY,
Agent.

Ex "Amazona,"

TH 164, Mr. Thévenin, from
1 case ink, Marcellin,

Hongkong, July 27, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship

"SINDH,"

Commandant BAYNET, will be

despatched for SHANGHAI

TO-MORROW, the 3rd Instant, at 5

o'clock a.m.

H. DU POUEY,
Agent.

Hongkong, September 2, 1878.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public
Auction at Mr F. M. TOLATES's

Godown:

TO-MORROW,

the 3rd Instant, 1878, at Noon,—

6 Chests MALWA OPIUM,

Ex Str. "China."

(More or less damaged by sea water.)

(On account of the concerned.)

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery

in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17.

H. N. MODY,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, September 2, 1878.

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FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

The Departure of the British
Steamer

"KILLARNEY,"

Captain O'NEILL, is unavoid-
ably POSTPONED until WEDNESDAY,

the 4th Instant, at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.

Hongkong, September 2, 1878.

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FOR YOKOHAMA & HIODO.

The Steamship

"GLEEN FINLAS,"

Captain Wilcox, will be de-
spatched for the above Ports

on THURSDAY, the 5th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.

Hongkong, September 2, 1878.

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FOR HOIHOW.

The Steamship

"KWA NG TUNG,"

Capt. FUNCHARD, will be de-
spatched for the above Ports

on THURSDAY, the 5th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.

Hongkong, September 2, 1878.

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FOR PORTLAND.

The American Ship

"CENTENNIAL,"

Master, will load here

for the above Port, and have

quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & CO.

Hongkong, September 2, 1878.

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

S. S. SINDH.

NOTICE.

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OF PEKING, from San Francisco
and Yokohama, are hereby requested to
send in their Bills of Lading to the
Undersigned for countersignature, and to take
immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding discharge of the Vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignee's
risk and expense.

RUSSELL & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, August 17, 1878.

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FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Glenagles having arrived from

the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo

are hereby informed that their Goods

are being landed at their risk into the Godowns

of the Undersigned, whence and/or from

the Wharves or Boats delivery may be

obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless

notice to the contrary be given before 2 p.m.

To-day, the 31st Instant.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the

8th Proximo will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DAVID SASBOON, SONS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 2, 1878.

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FROM CALCUTTA.

The British S. S. Japan, Captain H.

DE SEIN, having arrived from the

above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her

are requested to send in their Bills of

Lading to the Undersigned for counter-

signature, and to take immediate delivery

of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be at

once landed and stored at Consignee's risk

and expense.

W. DU POUEY, Agent.

Hongkong, September 2, 1878.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEE.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo

are requested to send in their Bills of

Lading to the Undersigned for counter-

Saturday as \$6,849.79; it should have been \$46,849.79. Our contemporary has somehow fallen into the same error.

It is notified in the *Government Gazette* of Saturday that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to recognise Mr Carl Frenzberg as Acting German Vice-Counsel at this port during the absence of Mr Kurt von Kalm.

The Collector of Stamp Revenue notifies that, by direction of His Excellency the Governor, the Stamp Office will in future be open until 5 p.m. on the days before the departures of the English and French Mails, and will be closed at 1 p.m. every Saturday.

ALLAN KHAN, the Sikh constable who was charged by Inspector Oradock with being absent from his quarters without permission, was brought up again before Mr Urquhart and fined \$5. This is the man who was found in the company of another constable's wife, and who had to fly the just resentment of the offended husband.

The Band and Pipers 7th Highlanders will perform in the Public Gardens tomorrow night, commencing at 9 p.m. The following is the programme:

BAND.
Overture,.....*La Mazon*,.....Auber.
Selection, *Geneviève de Brabant*, Offenbach.
Grand Fest March, *Tambourine*,....Wagner.
Value,.....*Abschied von München*,....Gungl.
Selection, *Deutsche Liederhalle*,....Kuhner.
Galop,.....*La vie Parisienne*,....Offenbach.
M. J. BUCHANAN, Bandmaster.

P I P E S.
March,.....*Glengarry's Gathering*,
Do,.....*Bundle and go*,
Do,.....*Cant y: by athlete*,
Do,.....*The Cameron Men*.
Strathespy and { *Miss Drummond of Perth*
Reel,.....*Black but Comely*,
J. HALL, Pipe Major.

SEVERAL complaints have reached us of the inconvenience caused to residents living on the higher levels by cutting off the water supply. Upon inquiry we find that this unavoidable annoyance arose from the fact that on Friday morning the pipes which supplied this level with water were disconnected for the purpose of bringing the water direct from the New Conduit into the No. 1 Tank, Robinson Road. Consequently the whole system of distribution to the upper portions of the City will have to be changed. It is of course an absolute necessity that such breaks in the water supply should take place ere the arrangements for increasing the supply be perfected. We only draw attention to the fact that the worthy Acting Surveyor General would materially lessen the inconvenience to the public if he intimated beforehand that the water would be cut off for two or three days. Residents could then take measures which, in the heat of the summer, would greatly reduce the annoyance consequent upon a sudden break in the supply.

The performance of "Geneviève de Brabant" last Saturday evening by the Royal English Opera Company was on the whole successful. Special mention ought perhaps to be made of the handsome dresses, and of the generally creditable way in which the Opera was put on the stage. Mr Vernon (as the Duke), and as Grab the gendarme) was the soul of the piece, and sang and acted admirably throughout. There is a versatility about this actor which is quite wonderful, and we should not be surprised at his attempting, and even succeeding in, anything from low comedy up to high tragedy. He is decidedly a host in himself; and his efforts on Saturday, some of which were extremely happy, were most warmly applauded. As Drogan Miss May seemed better in her singing than in her acting; but, with Miss Stanley (as Geneviève), she scoured an encore for the Balcony duet. It must be admitted that the Company sang and played together better than they have yet done. The "Crowing Chorus" and several of the other harmonized portions of the piece were hit off most creditably; while the Gendarmes scene (by Rollings and Vernon) was most successfully rendered and enthusiastically re-demanded, and was undoubtedly the hit of the evening. Miss Stanley looked her best as Geneviève, while her rendering of the Duchess was very fair throughout. Golo was not by any means a feeble representative of the wily Prime Minister (J. Rollings); while Mr Hageman was out of place in *Charles Martel*—i.e., he had nothing to do. The Burgomaster (Mr Sutton) was not a brilliant performer, and much more might have been brought out of it than "In the year One." As *Brigitte* Miss M. Dresgar had not much to do, but did that little fairly well. Miss B. Dresgar was more successful, and looked better, than we have yet seen her, in the part of Oswald. A new song and dance were introduced by Golo (Mr Rollings), which were heartily encored. There was a delay in beginning, owing, as it seemed, to the fact that the "score" had been mislaid; this sort of thing ought to be avoided.

UNDER the heading "Death of a Spanish Official," the *New York Herald* of July 15th quotes the following from the *Keduk Gate City*, of July 9th, regarding the sudden death of Mr Consul Faraldo:

Among the passengers who left Council Bluffs on the East bound passenger train on the B. and M. R. R. at twenty minutes past five o'clock on Sunday evening was A. Faraldo, Spanish Consul at Hongkong, China. He came in on the Union Pacific road from the West, and is supposed to have been en route to his home in Spain. He was unattended except by travelling acquaintances which he had formed on the train. Before starting from Council Bluffs he attended to checking his trunks and getting his other baggage on the train. Shortly after leaving that city he was stricken with a pleuro or heart disease, and died in a very short time. A telegram was sent to a physician at Glenwood, twenty miles east of Council Bluffs, to be at the train, but upon its arrival there the Consul was a corpse. Consul Faraldo was a large fine looking man, about fifty-five years of age, of splendid physique and commanding presence. He wore marks of distinction, which showed that he had been highly honored at different times by his government. He had occupied the position of Consul at Hongkong for the past three years.

(*L. and C. Express*, July 26th.)

We are glad to be able to state that active steps are being taken at last to supply Hongkong with a Mint, under the auspices of the Oriental Bank. The undertaking is one which is much needed, and it is satisfactory to note the success which has attended the efforts of the Chamber of Commerce. We can only wish it every success, a result which can hardly be doubted if it is placed under energetic and private management.

We understand that Mr A. R. Hewlett has been appointed successor to Mr Mayers as Chinese Secretary at Peking, and Mr McClellan Assistant-Secretary. The acceptance of this post by Mr McClellan relieves the Treasury from a retiring allowance of £600 a year, which he could have claimed by the abolition of Interpreters.

The Iron Duke, 14, Captain Henry F. Cleveland, the new flagship of the China Squadron, was taken into Plymouth Sound on the 18th inst. to adjust her compasses and take on board ammunition, and also made a short trial of her machinery outside the Breakwater. She was inspected by the Commander-in-Chief on the 22nd, and subsequently left for Portsmouth to sit Whitehead torpedoes.

The Amaranth Ambassadors embarked in the *Ayeron* at Toulon on the 20th inst. A salute of eleven guns announced their arrival in the port, and a battalion of marines accompanied by their band formed a line from the gates of the arsenal to the place of embarkation.

The appointment of Lieut. H. C. A. Baynes (1877) to the *Fly*, and Lieut. the Hon. François Spring-Rice (1876) to the *Modeste*, on the China Station, are gazetted.

M. Schadelin, who was in command of some Chinese troops during the Taiping Rebellion, has brought an action against Count de Chappeléde, late French Consul at Canton, claiming damages for having been expelled from that port some years ago.

Count de Rochechouart's book on "Peking and the Interior of China" has just been brought out by M. E. Plon.

TRADE WITH SIBERIA.—The endeavour to maintain the maritime trade route to Northern Siberia discovered by Professor Nordenskiöld will this year be made by several vessels. The steamer *Fraser*, Capt. Nilsson, left Gothenburg for the Yenisei on the 14th of June, and the *Lena*, commanded by the well-known Arctic voyager, Johansen, left the same port for the same destination on the 15th of June. The Swedish sailing ship *Express*, of 306 tons register, Capt. Gunderson, left London on the 6th of June for the voyage by Wadso to the mouth of the Yenisei. The *Express* carries coal and salt to Siberia, and intends to bring back wheat. At the end of June the steamer *Lutte*, with the tug *Moskva* and three lighters, were to be sent from Bremen to the Yenisei for grain. A steamer is also to be sent from Hamburg to the Obi. The Swedish Polar Expedition was to leave Gothenburg on the 1st of July.

Intelligence received at Lloyd's states that it is feared the large ship *Annie Camp*, 1,250 tons, which left New York for Shanghai on the 12th April, has been destroyed by fire in the South Atlantic Ocean. Letters have been received from Pernambuco which point to this conclusion, a large quantity of wreckage having washed ashore on the Brazilian coast, among which was a life-buoy bearing the vessel's name, several pieces of charred timber, and a quantity of spars and cordage, all evidently belonging to the same vessel. Underwriters fear that the vessel has been totally destroyed. The crew numbered about thirty men, and fears are entertained as to their safety.

The sum subscribed to the China Famine Relief Fund now amounts to £25,483, in addition to which must be added the sums of £6,027, subscribed by the China Inland Mission, £1,765 by the Church Missionary Society, £1,375 by the London Missionary Society, and £326 by the Baptist Missionary Society.

Police Intelligence.
(Both Magistrates sitting.)

September 2, 1878.

THE WANCHAI MURDER.
Charles Newman, the man who is charged with the wilful murder of Silvano Gutierrez, and with wounding with intent to murder a woman named Louisa Lockhardt, was again remanded for one week. He appeared in court in iron, his hands being fastened behind him, and behaved in a very strange manner.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.
Axel Randolph Ekenstrem, a Swede, was charged on remand by P. C. Stewart, No. 29, with attempting to hang himself in a police cell at West Point station whilst under the influence of liquor.

Defendant promised to drink no more, and was now discharged with a caution.

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY.
Li Afuk, a hawker, and Chan Afuk, a boatman, were charged on remand with being found in a house No. 17 Sheung Hing Lane, Soysloong, for an unlawful purpose, having bags in their possession,

and assaulting the police in the execution of their duty. The 2nd prisoner is a desperate and powerful man, and has been previously convicted.

Mr May committed them for trial.

ANOTHER CASE OF CUTTING AND WOUNDING.
Chun Akwai, a hawker, was charged by Inspector Oradock with cutting and wounding a man named Tsai Atoi. The wounded man is in hospital, suffering from severe wounds in the head, and the case was therefore remanded until Wednesday next, the 4th instant.

TO-DAY'S FINES.
Wong Awa, shopman, and four others, obstructing the thoroughfare. Fined 10 cents each.

Wong Afong, hawking without a license. Fined 20 cents.

Wong Pak Yan, hawking fish contrary to market ordinance. Fined 20 cents.

Chan Aam, a hawker, and Ho Akul, a cook; fighting and creating a disturbance. Fined the first 20 cents, and the second 10 cents.

Chun Akwai, hawking salt fish. Fined 20 cents.

Andrew Wilson, seaman unemployed, drunk and incapable. Fined 30 cents.

Tee Alan, a coolie, indecent behaviour. Fined 50 cents.

Fung Aluk, a coolie, throwing rubbish into the harbour. Fined 50 cents.

Wan Aka, a rice-pounder, and Chung Awing, a hawker, street gambling. Fined 50 cents each.

In Aying, and another coolie, indecent bathing. Fined \$1.

Chan Ayan and another, obstruction. Fined \$1 each.

Leong Ating, a hawker, unlawful possession of a plank. Two previous convictions. Fined \$2.

An Awa, householder, allowing an accumulation of filth in his dwelling. Fined \$2.50.

Wong Ating, a lantern maker, lately a prisoner in Victoria Gaol, assaulting another prisoner. Fined \$3.

Tee Aon and two others, boarding-house runners and Chin Chai Fat and two others boatmen, were charged with boarding the S. S. *Japan* before she had anchored. First defendant fined \$1; second and third \$1 each, and others \$1 each.

Ho Atung, a marine-hawker, unlawful possession of scrap iron, the property of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company. Fined \$5.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL".

Hongkong, 2nd Sept. 1878.

SIR.—Under the heading of Police Intelligence in your paper of Saturday I notice that a man who was charged with having returned from deportation defended himself by simply saying he had heard that "the Governor allowed all deported criminals to return." Beyond stating that the prisoner was ordered to undergo the remainder of his sentence, your report goes no further, and I therefore do not know whether the Magistrate took any special notice of the nature of the man's reply. Considering the frequency of robbery lately, which implies the presence of a number of questionable characters in the Colony, it is to my mind most desirable to discover if possible, where, when, and how, the prisoner heard the report which he gave as his defence, and how far such a report has spread amongst the numerous vagabonds who formerly used to find Hongkong a "wee bit" too hot for them. A quarter of an hour's cross-questioning might have elicited valuable information. Perhaps the man might have been able to tell if others of his kind, who having heard the same report have likewise returned to prey upon the community, and as the prisoner was sent to gaol it may not be too late to put a few leading questions to him. Stating from the presumption, that His Excellency the Governor has never said anything which might be construed into a permission for deported criminals to return, it seems to me of the utmost importance to ascertain whether a report such as is alleged exists, and if it does exist that vigorous measures be at once taken to contradict it.

I venture to propose, as the most rapid, efficient and economical method, that say one stroke on the breech be promptly administered to the said prisoner, that he be immediately thereafter ferried across to the mainland, and there left to find his way to his associates and disabuse them, at least he may, of the impression that their society is invited to this Colony. Humanitarian principles notwithstanding, I further propose that the same species of entertainment be offered to any habitual criminal who, at any time after due notice given him, should be found within the limits of the Colony. It may be thought an uncivilized mode of procedure, but I hold that a Colony has a right to defend itself by exceptional measures in exceptional circumstances. The vagabonds of China find Hongkong offers better prospects of booty than their native land, they find that if caught therein they are more leniently treated than they would be by their own countrymen,—what wonder therefore that they gravitate towards it.

The sum subscribed to the China Famine Relief Fund now amounts to £25,483, in addition to which must be added the sums of £6,027, subscribed by the China Inland Mission, £1,765 by the Church Missionary Society, £1,375 by the London Missionary Society, and £326 by the Baptist Missionary Society.

I am, Sir,
Yours faithfully,

M.

CHINA.
SHANGHAI.

(News.)

We learn that Mr J. McLeavy Brown, Commissioner of Customs at Canton, has been appointed Statistical Secretary, in the place of the late Mr E. C. Taintor. Among the passengers by the M.M. steamship *Djembah* were Mr W. Cartwright, formerly Chinese Secretary of Customs at Peking, who has received the appointment of Commissioner at Canton; and Mr F. F. Wright, late Commissioner at Shanghai, who proceeds to Europe on leave.

The first auction of griffins for the present season at the Horse Bazaar was held on Saturday last, when a lot of good-looking ponies, which had arrived by the steamship *Min Ning*, was offered for sale. Owing probably to its being rather early in the season—the training for the autumn season not commencing until a week hence—the competition to obtain griffins was not very keen. Several of the likely ones, however, found buyers, the highest prices realized being Tls. 100, Tls. 166, and Tls. 180.—Mr Barnes Dallas held an auction the same afternoon, near the Grand Plaza,

when sixteen griffins were offered for competition, but we have not been informed of the prices realized.

We hear that the steamer *Altone* has been towed off the bank on which she grounded, near Collinson Island, by the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company's steamer *Kiangsu*, on her passage to Hankow. The *Kiangsu* was only engaged, we understand, for about an hour in towing her off, and for her services, it is said, she will receive Tls. 10,000—the same amount the *Feiho* earned the China-Navigation Company for floating the *Loudoun Castle*. In former years the charge was Tls. 5,000 for towing off an ocean steamer which had the misfortune to ground in the Yangtze, but this year the river steamers Companies, we are informed, mutually agreed to charge Tls. 10,000, and have carried out the arrangement. This at all events, is one way of recouping themselves for the loss in freight they sustain through the ocean tea steamers going to Hankow.

We hear that the last of the boats of the *Harijan* has been picked up, at the North Saddles. It was in good preservation, but quite empty, therefore leaving no doubt of the fate of the unfortunate man—there was only one—who went adrift in her.

(Courier.)

When the Viceroy inspected the gunboats at Taku, some eight weeks ago, the first shot from one of the 88 ton guns carried away the target. This pleased His Excellency so much that he has ordered four more gunboats of the same pattern. The gunboat *kin Hae*, which left Tientsin for Shanghai on the 1st instant, took with her half a million of taels to be remitted to England through the Oriental Bank Corporation for that purpose.

We learn that the rumour as to a railway being about to be made from Taku to Tientsin is without foundation. It is, however, satisfactory to know that a telegraph line is to be erected between those places. That indicates progress, and the railway may be expected to follow in time.

NINGPO.

August 28th.

A correspondent informs us that there has been a great riot in the Chinese district, and that the officials assembled 8,000 troops to repress it. The mob were, however, too many for the soldiers, whom they attacked and fought, killing several mandarins and killing and wounding about 100 others. The entire district for miles in extent, would appear to be up in arms, but it is not clear for what reason, unless it be resistance to the exactions of the governing classes. Our correspondent also states that the Fungwua people have also arisen, in consequence of some dispute about *letkin*, which occurred a few days ago.

The situation is represented to be an alarming one, the malcontents having already attacked one *letkin* station, seized the official there and taken him into Fungwua. Since then, they have posted a proclamation to the effect that unless the mandarins come to terms, they intended to come down 50,000 strong and do their utmost to compel them.

Later information is to the effect that great anxiety still prevails as to what the Fungwua people will do now. The Tacti has opposed them, and flogged their deputies, besides imprisoning some 50 of them, several of whom are said to have been decapitated. So strong is the feeling against the Taotai, that says our correspondent, if he has taken any heads, his own will not be worth 6d, while the safety of the city is also greatly threatened. It is now believed that the people can raise 200,000 men, and that they may advance on the city at any moment.

We learn on enquiry respecting the insurrection around Ningpo, that it arose in the first place from a demand being made by the Mandarins for payment for fields which the people had by their industry reclaimed from the sea. It is a question of foreshore property, similar to that which has been a bone of contention between foreign Consuls and the local authorities at Shanghai. Supposing the people might be intimidated by a display of force, a civil deputy was sent with a detachment of soldiers to demand payment for the new foreshore, but the deputy was slain, with several soldiers, the rest beating a precipitate retreat. That victory having been secured, the people next drove the Customhouse officers from the three barriers, or stations, which are subordinate to that other part of Chusan, Tinghai, and that having been accomplished, all the saltmakers rose in resistance to the salt gabelle. This state of affairs on the islands to the east of Ningpo, and the insurrection in the mountains of Fungwua to the southwest, cause the Viceroy to be greatly concerned.

Further correspondence says that over three hundred men have been killed in the fights between the troops and the populace. It is absolutely a fact that there are at least 60,000 men at the south gate, and that all the city gates are closed. The Tacti appears to be to blame for the uprising, and we hear that Major Cooke is with his contingent of 160 men standing guard over the turbulent and cowardly official at his *Yamen*.

Intimations.

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Nearly opposite The Hongkong Hotel,
Hongkong, July 9, 1878.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.
No. 88.

CHINA SEA

Petrop River—TIENTIN DISTRICT.
Taku Bar Light.

NOTICE is hereby given that, on the 4th Instant, a Fixed WHITE LIGHT was exhibited, and will continue to be shown, on the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company's Hulk "Aden," now moored outside the Taku Bar in 17 feet low-water ordinary springs.

The Light, which is dioptric, is 86 feet above the water line, and should be visible 10 miles on clear nights.

Latitude 38° 53' N.

Longitude 117° 50' 30" E.

The Red Buoy, which is distant

3½ miles, bears N. 35° W.

By order of the Inspector General of Customs,

GERALD E. WELLESLEY,
Acting Engineer-in-Chief,

Imperial Maritime Customs,
Engineer's Office,
Shanghai, August 12, 1878.

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Hongkong, August 15, 1878.

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For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 32, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. SMYRE, Agent,

Hongkong, August 14, 1878.

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Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr EDWARD CUNNINGHAM in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on the 31st December last.

RUSSELL & CO.,

China, March 8, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned beg to notify that the MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA of Tokio, Japan has opened a Branch in this Port, and the Undersigned has been appointed their Agent in Hongkong.

HEROMICH SHUGIO.

Office No. 4, C. Club Chambers,

Hongkong, August 10, 1878.

YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the late Mr J. J. DOS REMEDIOS in our Firm CEASED on the 31st July, 1878.

MR AGOSTINHO GUILHERME ROMANO and MR ALEXANDRE ANTONIO DOS REMEDIOS have this Day been admitted Partners therein.

Our Firm now consists of Mr J. J. DOS REMEDIOS, M. A. G. ROMANO, and Mr A. A. DOS REMEDIOS.

J. J. DOS REMEDIOS & CO.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

NOTICE.

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J. INGLIS & CO.,

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RUSSELL & CO.,

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Hongkong, May 10, 1878.

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OLYPHANT & CO.,

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Hongkong, April 17, 1878.

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NOTICE.

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